Extract of the T. A. bill.

16—9—1102.	Tattamangalam to Coonoor		
	71 miles at 6 annas 426	} Rs. 37—14—0	
	20 miles at 9 annas 180		
	606		
17th to 23rd	Halt. No halting allowance claimed.		
24th	Coonoor to Ootty and back 30 miles		
	at 9 annas 270 annas	Rs. 16—14—0	
25th	Coonoor to Ernakulam *via* Palghat		
	20 miles at 9 annas 180	} Rs. 70— 2— 0	
	157 ,, at 6 ,, 942		
	1,122		
	Total	Rs. 124—14—0	

Elevation of the Depressed Classes.

29. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have called for any scheme for the elevation of the depressed classes from the new Protector of the depressed classes who is also the Director of Public Instruction ;

(b) will they also be pleased to state whether any such scheme has been submitted to Government by the new Officer after his appointment ; if the answer is in the affirmative, will they be pleased to lay a copy of the same on the table ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.— (a) No.

(b) No scheme has as yet been submitted.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—In regard to the first part of the question, may I know whether any scheme will be called for by the Government in future ?

President.—For the elevation of the depressed classes, I suppose the Director of Public Instruction, who is the *ex-officio* Protector of the depressed classes, will be submitting a scheme shortly. He has gathered the necessary meterials. I suppose it is under preparation.

Mr. C. Matthai.—It is under consideration, Sir.

Protector of the Depressed Classes.

30. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state the names of all the applicants for the post of the Protector of the depressed classes that was recently given to the Director of Public Instruction ;

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(b) were there any special reasons for the Government for not appointing a full-time officer for the new post; if so, what are they?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—

(a) The following were the applicants.—

Messrs.

1. K. P. Karuppan.
2. V. R. M. Chohan.
3. P. K. Kumaran.
4. E. K. Kittu
5. C. Parameswara Menon

(b) Government did not consider that a full-time officer was absolutely necessary for the present.

Member of the Depressed Classes in the State service and in the Council.

31. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any Member for the depressed classes in the Cochin Legislative Council and the Cochin Government Service?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar —The Member is referred to "Schedule No. 1" of the Electoral Rules and to Diwan's Proceedings C. No. 5200/1101, dated 10th April 1927, published in the Cochin Government Gazette appointing the Director of Public Instruction as *ex-Officio* Protector of the depressed classes.

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